

**COST ESTIMATE FOR H.R. 2119,
THE FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVEN-
TION AND SERVICES IMPROVE-
MENT ACT 2021**

HON. ROBERT C. “BOBBY” SCOTT

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 24, 2021

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I hereby include in the RECORD the cost estimate prepared by the Congressional Budget Office for H.R. 2119, the Family Violence Prevention and Services Improvement Act of 2021. The cost estimate was not available at the time of the filing of the Committee report.

U.S. CONGRESS,
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,
Washington, DC, September 24, 2021.

Hon. ROBERT C. (BOBBY) SCOTT,
Chairman, Committee on Education and Labor,
House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has prepared the enclosed cost estimate for H.R. 2119, the Family Violence Prevention and Services Improvement Act of 2021.

If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them. The CBO staff contact is Jennifer Gray.

Sincerely,

PHILLIP L. SWAGEL,
Director.

Enclosure.

H.R. 2119, FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND SERVICES IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2021—AS ORDERED REPORTED BY THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND LABOR ON JULY 15, 2021

	By fiscal year, millions of dollars—		
	2021	2021–2026	2021–2031
Direct Spending (Outlays) ..	0	0	0
Revenues	0	0	0
Increase or Decrease (–) ..			
in the Deficit	0	0	0
Spending Subject to Approp- riation (Outlays)	0	1,316	1,637

Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply? No.

Increases on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2032? No.

Mandate Effects

Contains intergovernmental mandate? No.
Contains private-sector mandate? No.

H.R. 2119 would reauthorize and amend programs authorized by the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA), including the FVPSA program, the Domestic Violence Prevention Enhancement and Leadership Through Alliances (DELTA) program, and the National Domestic Violence Hotline. Although the authorizations for those programs expired at the end of 2015, the Department of Health and Human Services and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have continued to allocate funds for them,

including \$201 million in 2021. The bill also would amend FVPSA to authorize new programs and activities, including grants for tribal domestic violence coalitions, a national Indian domestic violence hotline, grants to assist underserved populations, and grants for culturally specific services for domestic violence victims. Over the 2022–2026 period, the bill would specifically authorize \$327.5 million in annual appropriations, distributed as follows:

\$270 million for the FVPSA program (including grants for tribal domestic violence coalitions and grants for culturally specific services),

\$26 million for the DELTA program,

\$14 million for the National Domestic Violence Hotline,

\$10 million for grants for underserved populations,

\$4 million for a national Indian domestic violence hotline, and

\$3.5 million for research and evaluation.

For this estimate, CBO assumes that H.R. 2119 will be enacted before the end of calendar year 2021 and that the authorized amounts will be appropriated each year. Estimated outlays are based on historical spending patterns for similar programs. On that basis, CBO estimates that implementing the bill would cost \$1.3 billion over the 2022–2026 period.

The costs of the legislation, detailed in Table I, fall within budget functions 500 (education, training, employment, and social services) and 550 (health).

TABLE 1.—ESTIMATED INCREASES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION UNDER H.R. 2119

	By fiscal year, millions of dollars—						
	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2021–2026
FVPSA program							
Authorization	0	270	270	270	270	270	1,350
Estimated Outlays	0	80	216	257	265	270	1,088
DELTA							
Authorization	0	26	26	26	26	26	130
Estimated Outlays	0	11	23	25	25	26	110
National Domestic Violence Hotline							
Authorization	0	14	14	14	14	14	70
Estimated Outlays	0	4	11	13	14	14	56
Grants for underserved populations							
Authorization	0	10	10	10	10	10	50
Estimated Outlays	0	2	6	8	10	10	36
National Indian Domestic Violence Hotline							
Authorization	0	4	4	4	4	4	20
Estimated Outlays	0	1	3	4	4	4	16
Research and evaluation							
Authorization	0	4	4	4	4	4	18
Estimated Outlays	0	*	1	2	3	4	10
Total Changes							
Authorization	0	328	328	328	328	328	1,638
Estimated Outlays	0	98	260	309	321	328	1,316

Components may not sum to totals because of rounding; DELTA = Domestic Violence Prevention Enhancement and Leadership Through Alliances; FVPSA = Family Violence Prevention and Services Act; * = between zero and \$500,000.

The CBO staff contacts for this estimate are Jennifer Gray (for the Administration for Children and Families) and Sarah

Sajewski (for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention). The estimate was reviewed

by H. Samuel Papenfuss, Deputy Director of Budget Analysis.